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1		AN ACT relating to physician assistants.
2	Be it	enacted by the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky:
3		→ Section 1. KRS 311.856 is amended to read as follows:
4	A sup	pervising physician shall:
5	(1)	Restrict the services of a physician assistant to services within the physician
6		assistant's scope of practice and to the provisions of KRS 311.840 to 311.862;
7	(2)	Prohibit a physician assistant from prescribing or dispensing controlled substances;
8	(3)	Inform all patients in contact with a physician assistant of the status of the physician
9		assistant;
10	(4)	Post a notice stating that a physician assistant practices medicine or osteopathy in
11		all locations where the physician assistant may practice;
12	(5)	Require a physician assistant to wear identification that clearly states that he or she
13		is a physician assistant;
14	(6)	Prohibit a physician assistant from independently billing any patient or other payor
15		for services rendered by the physician assistant;
16	(7)	If necessary, participate with the governing body of any hospital or other licensed
17		health care facility in a credentialing process established by the facility;
18	(8)	Not require a physician assistant to perform services or other acts that the physician
19		assistant feels incapable of carrying out safely and properly;
20	(9)	Maintain adequate, active, and continuous supervision of a physician assistant's
21		activities to assure that the physician assistant is performing as directed and
22		complying with the requirements of KRS 311.840 to 311.862 and all related
23		administrative regulations;
24	(10)	A supervising physician shall review and countersign a sufficient number of
25		overall medical notes written by the physician assistant to ensure quality of care
26		provided by the physician assistant, but at a minimum, a supervising physician
27		shall review and countersign at least ten percent (10%) of these overall medical

1	note	s every thirty (30) days. A countersignature shall not be required prior to
2	<u>orde</u>	rs being executed[Sign all records of service rendered by a physician assistant
3	in a	-timely manner as certification that the physician assistant performed the
4	serv	ices as delegated];
5	(11) (a)	Reevaluate the reliability, accountability, and professional knowledge of a
6		physician assistant two (2) years after the physician assistant's original
7		licensure in this Commonwealth and every two (2) years thereafter; and
8	(b)	Based on the reevaluation, recommend approval or disapproval of licensure or
9		renewal to the board; and
10	(12) Noti	fy the board within three (3) business days if the supervising physician:
11	(a)	Ceases to supervise or employ the physician assistant; or
12	(b)	Believes in good faith that a physician assistant violated any disciplinary rule
13		of KRS 311.840 to 311.862 or related administrative regulations.

	President of Senate	9
	Speaker-House of Representatives	1
Attest:	Chief Clerk of Senate	
	Approved At ABerbary Governor	
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